



Join Our Christmas Club

And it is so easy and such a pleasure to put aside a little every week, in anticipation of the happiness it will bring to others, as well as to ourselves.

Our Christmas Club now forming affords every member of this community an opportunity to add to the joy of living. Do not fail to join it.

Payments may be 25c, 50c, \$1.00, \$2.00 or \$5.00 per week

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THE LAMOILLE COUNTY SAVINGS BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

HYDE PARK

VERMONT

No. 9

Oldest American Skipper, From Vermont, and Titled British Captain on Majestic



Captain Eli B. Rockwell of Lake Champlain on the Bridge of the White Star Liner Majestic, the World's Largest Ship, with Commodore Sir Bertram Hayes, Her Commander

When Commodore Sir Bertram Hayes of the White Star Line, commanding the world's largest ship, the Majestic, arrives at New York on December 12, from a voyage to England, he will find awaiting him a letter from the oldest American steamboat master, Captain Eli B. Rockwell of the Lake Champlain steamer Vermont III, whose home is at St. Albans.

It will be recalled by newspaper readers that last month Captain Rockwell was the guest of Commodore Hayes when the Majestic was in dry dock at Boston, and was shown every possible attention by the titled British ship master. Inspection of the giant liner, luncheon with her commander, a visit to the liner's engine room to see her 100,000 horse power turbines, and in the evening a box party at the theatre for the pirate play "Captain Applejack," were all included in the program of a day's

entertainment for Captain Rockwell. After Captain Rockwell had returned to his home he wrote Sir Bertram saying, "It was the greatest honor of my long experience." This letter the commander of the Majestic will receive on returning from his voyage to England—during which, it may be mentioned, the Majestic with new propellers put on at Boston, made 24½ knots an hour, a speed equal to about 23 land miles.

The monster ship is nearly a fifth of a mile long. "But I think there are one or two places in Lake Champlain where I could turn her around," said Captain Rockwell when Commodore Hayes took him up to the great liner's bridge.

The accompanying illustration showing Captain Rockwell and Commodore Hayes gives some idea of the cordial reception the distinguished British captain gave the veteran from Lake Champlain.

MERRY CHRISTMAS, FOUR-H CLUB MEMBERS!

(From the Lamoille County Farm Bureau)

Here is a Four-H Club Slogan "To win without boasting and to lose without squealing"

Reports

We are a bit disappointed to think that a larger percentage of our club boys and girls didn't send in their records and stories. We have only heard from about thirty-five percent. What happened to the rest? Some of them promised faithfully, when approached, that they would send. We wonder if the club members for the coming year wouldn't do well to make their "word" mean more. A promise is binding and should be carried out.

In one or two cases the failure of a couple members in sending in their from getting a seal for its charter or its chapter. Is that fair to your club? Let's resolve to be more loyal to our clubs next year.

The following are the boys and girls of Lamoille county who will receive the oxidized silver Four-H medals, given by the County Farm Bureau:

Clothing Project

Marjorie Shene and Clara Stiles of Johnson; Madeline Baker, Clopha Bodette and Dora Hogaboom of North Hyde Park; Beulah Gravin, Dorothy Kendall, Joyce Woolcutt and Emma Wheeler of Elmore; Clara Richardson and Marion Davis of Wolcott; Joyce Kneeland, Ilda Jacobs, Florence Adams and Ruby Amadon of North Hyde Park.

Canning Project

Olive Clark, Clara Stiles and Laura Clark of Johnson.

Calf Project

Matthew Maloney of Hyde Park; Warren Dodge and Richard Sinclair of Johnson; Kenneth Munson of Hyde Park; Douglas Young of Johnson; Guy Tenney and Lloyd Turner of Hyde Park.

Poultry Project

Stanley Perkins, Maurice Washer, Claud Lambert, Raymond Whiting and Haide Despaunt of Johnson

Maple Sugar Project

Archie Bryant of North Wolcott. Note: The first five in each project are named in order of first five best in the county.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS

THE DIAMOND BRAND. Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold wrapper. Take no others. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S PILLS. DIAMOND BRAND PILLS. For 25 years in Great Britain, always reliable. SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.

LEGEND OF THE MISTLETOE

Yuletide Bough Was Responsible for Death of Balder, Son of Odin, an Old Story.

THE mistletoe bough, according to an old Scandinavian legend, was responsible for the death of Balder, the son of Odin, and the God of Eloquence and Poetry. Having informed his mother, Friga, that a dream had warned him of his imminent death she invoked all the powers of earth—fire, air, earth and water (including all animals and plants)—to come to his rescue. In the combats of the gods, therefore, he found himself uninjured.

But Louke, his deadly enemy, was determined to discover the secret of his invulnerability, and by judiciously flattering Friga, and praising the progress of her son, obtained from her the reason. But, she foolishly told him, there was one feeble little shoot she had not thought it necessary to invoke—the mistletoe.

The treacherous Louke immediately procured a branch of the mistletoe, and entering the assembly of gods presented an arrow made from it to blind Heda, with the words—"Balder is before thee. Shoot!" He shot and Balder fell, pierced and slain.

And countless thousands have since been "slain" and will be slain for ages to come with "darts" from the "mistletoe bough."

MYTHS OF CHRISTMAS SEASON

Among Some of Peasantry of France is Belief That Bread Remains Fresh Ten Years.

LEGENDS and myths without number have become associated with the celebration of Christmas. Among some of the peasantry of France is a strong belief that loaves of bread baked at Christmas will remain fresh for ten years. It is also believed by some of the simple folk that during the whole of the Christmas holidays a portion of bread should be left on the table day and night because the Holy Mother may come to share it. For some reason not to be explained, there is a superstition among some French peasant wives that no bread must be baked between Christmas day and the Feast of the Circumcision, because an infraction of this rule will bring disaster on the household.

There is a peasant belief of age-long standing that if the cattle on the farm be given drink immediately after the midnight mass of Christmas their health will continue good throughout the year. Another belief is that if seed of wheat be wrapped in a tablecloth which has been used for Christmas dinner, a profitable harvest will be insured. Another strange belief is that a cold bath taken on Christmas day will protect the bather against fevers and toothache throughout the year.

CHRISTMAS RIBBONS

IF CHRISTMAS ribbons could express themselves they would say that people were thrifty, for some ribbons claim to have been doing business every Christmas for many, many years. They are often pressed and made to look their best, but they're the same ones used again and again. However, if they could philosophize they would rejoice that they were the means of adding gaiety, color and cheer to Christmas packages year after year!

THE WILD BOAR'S HEAD FEAST

Animal of Woods in Early Days Provided One of the Most Popular Christmas Dishes.

IN MEDIEVAL England it was customary to commence all grand Christmas feasts by the solemn ceremony of bringing in the boar's head as the initial dish. The master cook, preceded by trumpeters and other men with boar spears and drawn falchions and pages carrying mustard, bore the smoking head aloft on a silver platter, which he deposited at the head of the table. The head was garnished and garlanded with rosemary and laurel, and a lemon, symbol of plenty, was placed between its grinning chops.

To the end of her life, Queen Victoria retained the ancient custom; also in many of the public schools and universities the boar's head is still the great dish of the Christmas banquet. On such occasions every diner rises and joins in the "Boar's Song," which has been sung for centuries. The words are set to the common chant of the prose version in cathedrals.

IT'S DIFFERENT NOW.

Lady: I suppose you wish Christmas came several times a year.

Willie: I used to till I got engaged to Millie Nextdoor, but it's different now.

The Merry Christmas. Jud Tunkins says that wishin' a man a merry Christmas and takin' pains to provide him with a merry Christmas are two different things.

About this time Of Year

many conservative investors, both large and small, are very carefully considering the placing of a certain amount of their funds in some good substantial proposition where they will get a good return on their money.

TIMES CHANGE! Twenty years ago four percent was a fair return on your savings. Today's living costs are nearly double what they were at that time. You should invest your money so that its earnings will make up for this difference.

The Holbrook Grocery Company, an old established and growing New England corporation, with their first wholesale grocery house at Keene, N. H., and later establishing distributing points at Woodsville, Nashua, Laconia, Claremont, N. H., and Burlington, Vt., are now offering \$300,000 in seven percent Cumulative, Preferred Stock A, par value \$100, dividends payable quarterly, by check mailed direct to stockholder, February 1st, May 1st, August 1st and November 1st. This stock is preferred both as to dividends and assets.

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2. A fruit cake.
3. A jar of jelly or preserves.
4. A box of little cakes or cookies.
5. A box of home-made candies.
6. A box of vegetables or fruits (either fresh or canned).

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